

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 3 line 18 of the specification as follows:

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The birefringent polarizer of the present invention may also comprise three or more alternating layers of diverse polymeric materials. For example, a three layer pattern of repeating units ABCBA may be used, where the B unit is a copolymer or miscible blend of the A and C repeat units. See, e.g., FIGS. 2A-2B. In some instances, the B layer may not only contribute to the light polarization properties of the invention, but also act as an adhesive layer to bond the A and C layers together.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 3 line 27 of the specification as follows:

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Also, the third polymer layer may be found as a surface or skin layer on one or both major exterior surfaces for an ABABAB repeating body (see e.g. FIGS. 3A-3B) or as an interior layer. The skin layer may be sacrificial, or may be permanent and serve as scratch resistant or weatherable protective layer. Further, such skin layers may be post applied to the polarizer after coextrusion. For example, a skin layer may be applied as a sprayed on coating which would act to level the surface of the polarizer to improve optical properties and impart scratch resistance, chemical resistance and/or weatherability. The skin layer may also be laminated to the multilayered polarizer. Lamination is desirable for those polymers which are not readily coextrudable.